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HONGKONG, June 25th, 1900.

But for a partly explained delay in the arrival
of our telegram from the North we
should on Tuesday night have been in receipt
of authentic information of the relief of
Tientsin. The actual date of the arrival of
the relieving force, it will be seen, was Sat-
urday, the 23rd instant, so that the news
has taken an unusually long time to get
through. Details are still wanting, but the
force is stated to be a "combined" one, a
fact which, taken in conjunction with our
previous information about the starting of the
Territorial force for the scene of action,
encourages us to hope that a prominent part
in the relief was played by the British, and
possibly by the Hongkong contingent. The
Russians again lost heavily, no doubt
through having the majority of regular
troops present. Their casualties for the
first week's fighting make a heavy list
and are a proof of the fighting qualities of the Chinese. But it is somewhat surprising
that the total of the combined force
which broke through was only 2,000, which
seems a small number to carry out a task
that had baffled two previous forces. An
account of the state in which the allies found
Tientsin will be anxiously awaited. The
garrison must have had the utmost difficulty
in holding what is described as a wrecked
Concession.News about Admiral Seymour has at
last come to hand. He was only ten or
twelve miles from Tientsin on the 23rd, and
though encumbered with sick and wounded,
and still surrounded by the enemy, he was
at least within reach of the force which
started to his assistance on Sunday, and the
intelligence of his rescue, conveyed by the
official telegram received in the Colony
yesterday, is the natural consequence
of the success of the allies on the 23rd. The
telegram which we publish from London shows that he has succeeded
in his object of rescuing the foreign
Ministers at Peking—a fact which will be
received with feelings of relief throughout
the civilised world. How the work was
accomplished we do not yet know. The
Admiral may have cut his way through to
the capital. Our Shanghai telegram of the
26th instant rather suggests that the Minis-
ters were escorted outside the walls of
Peking by a Chinese guard, in which case it
is still more difficult to fathom the policy of
Imperial Government. But in any case,
after so long a period of suspense, we have
received a complete and most welcome
answerto our hopes. The next step before the
allies is that their mainly defensive attitude
shall give way to an attacking policy.
Unhampered by the necessity of des-
patching rescuing parties this way and
that, the combined Powers will have
time to decide on the best method of pro-
cedure, and there will be no excuse if they let
international jealousies stand in the way
of an efficient combination. With a true
harmony between the Powers interested their
task will loss its difficulties, and the allies
will find themselves masters of the situation.
There has been enough of discon-
nected action, and the recent ill-success has
been attributable to nothing else but this.
There is now a golden opportunity for a dis-
play of commonsense.The Straits Times reports great excitement
at the Taiping Post Office some days ago, when
some 80,000 cent stamps, surcharged one
cent, were offered for sale, and again on the
10th instant when a like number of five cent
stamps, similarly surcharged were for sale. The
Post Office was besieged from an early hour.
Some who managed to secure considerable num-
bers of these stamps have realised profits, aver-
aging from four hundred to five hundred per cent.Sir Alexander Swettenham returned to Singa-
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Labuan from the Chartered Company.Describing the attitude of the Japanese powers
on the Chinese crisis, the Japan Mail says—
Broadly speaking, the Japanese press is divided
into two sections; one of which, headed by the
Yomi Shimbun, advocates immediate despatch of a
strong body of troops and the adoption of re-
solutely offensive measures; the other, headed
by the Nippon, thinks that a
defensive attitude will meet all the requirements
of the case.It has come to our notice, says the Kobe
Chronicle, that a rumour is being circulated
among the foreigners in Kobe as to the instability
of one of the leading Japanese undertakings
in the country. We have made inquiries, and
as far as we can ascertain there is no foundation
for the report. It is quite true that the
disturbances in China have seriously affected the
raw cotton and cotton yarn markets, but it
seems very improbable that such an old-established
and highly connected undertaking as the
one referred to should experience any difficulties
from what it is hoped will prove but a tempo-
rary interference with trade. We have been
unable to trace the rumour to its source, but as
far as we know it is only in circulation among
foreigners, who may incur some loss through
over-hasty action without in any way injuring
the credit of the firm.The Telegraph Companies here had a record
number of telegrams passing through their
hands yesterday, and messages were delayed
owing to the pressure on the lines. Among
them our own wire from the North suffered.Through the courtesy of the U.S. Consul
General we are enabled to publish the following
Typhoon Warning from Manila Observatory
at 1 a.m. yesterday—Depression far out in
the Pacific—probably E.N.E. of Manila.On the 14th inst. the Emperor of Korea gave
audience to the Japanese Representative in
Seoul. His Majesty expressed regret for the
torturing and execution of An and Kwong,
and explained that it took place without his
knowledge. He added that the responsible
officials had been punished. It is assumed that
the incident is now closed.The other day a Chinaman who had been
sentenced to six months' hard labour escaped
from the prisoners' detaining room, and yester-
day the Lukong (No. 26) who had charge of him
was brought up at the Magistrate for neglect of duty. Mr. Hazland informed him that
it was a very disgraceful thing. It was a grave
neglect of duty. This was the second time a
prisoner had been allowed to escape. It was
a very serious charge. The Lukong would be
fined \$10.Mafeking took its relief very coolly. It
appears that, on the 16th ult. darkness was
drawing on when Major Karr Davies, and
eight men of the Imperial Light Horse entered
the market square. One of the troopers stopped a
passer-by and said, "Hi! We're the relief
column." "Oh, indeed," said the citizen; "We
heard you were about outside," and proceeded
on his errand, which was to draw his rations.
The amazed trooper exclaimed, "Well, he takes
it pretty coolly."A man who had been several times convicted
and served a term of banishment was brought be-
fore Mr. Hazland charged with larceny on board
a junk of Shantung early yesterday morning.
He was seen leaving the junk with a pillar box
in his hand. An alarm was raised and the man
was captured by an Indian constable with the
box in his possession. He was sentenced to six
months imprisonment, to be followed by a term
of banishment. Another man who was found
in possession of a pair of trousers missing from
the junk was discharged.The latest General Orders of the Hongkong
Volunteer Corps contain the following:—Ap-
pointments.—The following extract from the
Government Gazette, dated 23rd June, 1900, is
published for information:—"Government No-
tification No. 324. His Excellency the Officer
Administering the Government has been pleased
to appoint Lieutenant A. H. Stewart, of the
C. Machine Gun Company, Hongkong Vol-
unteer Corps, to act as Adjutant of the Corps
in the place of Captain W. St. C. Bland,
R.G.A., absent from the Colony on duty, until
the return of Captain Bland, or until further
notice."

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

RELIEF OF TIENSIN.

EFFECTED BY A COMBINED FORCE.

SHANGHAI, June 26, 9 p.m.

A combined force of two thousand men
relieved Tientsin on Saturday, 23rd inst.,
after silencing the guns of the arsenal and
breaking through the Chinese lines.

CASUALTIES.

The Russians lost four killed and thirty
wounded. The other nations suffered a
slight loss.

ADMIRAL SEYMOUR SURROUNDED.

Admiral Seymour's force is reported to
be surrounded by Boxers and Chinese regu-
lar troops ten miles from Tientsin, and he is
hampered by his sick and wounded.

ASSISTANCE SENT.

Assistance was sent to him on Sunday,
24th instant.

RUMOURS CONCERNING PEKING.

It is rumoured concerning Peking that
the foreigners there were sent out with a
Chinese guard, perhaps with Admiral Sey-
mour.

MORE JAPANESE LANDING.

Three thousand Japanese are now landing
at Taku.

EMPEROR DOWAGER DESIRES PROTECTION.

The Empress-Dowager has ordered the
Viceroy at Wuchang to defend Hukuang
(the collective title of the two provinces
Hupeh and Hunan) against the rebels and
to send troops to Peking.Viceroy Chang Chih-tung is sending 3,000
untrained soldiers to Peking, but is keeping
the foreign-trained troops at Wuchang.

London, 26th June, 3.5 p.m.

ADMIRAL SEYMOUR RESCUES THE MINISTERS AT PEKING.

The German Consul at Chefoo reports the
relief of Tientsin. Admiral Seymour and the
foreign Ministers from Peking are 12½
miles north of Tientsin. The force is hard
pressed by the Chinese.

ADMIRAL SEYMOUR REACHES TIENSIN.

A brief telegram reached H. E. the Acting
Governor yesterday afternoon to the effect
that the British Admiral had got back to
Tientsin. This completes the story given
in our telegrams above, and Admiral Sey-
mour's mission seems to have been suc-
cessfully fulfilled.

H. E. LI HUNG-CHANG.

We received yesterday afternoon official
information from Canton to the effect that
H. E. Li Hung-chang will remain in Canton
for the present and will not go up to Peking
unless he is ordered again to do so by Im-
perial decree. H. E. was not officially or-
dered to remain and has wired to Peking
through the Governor of Shantung four
times, and if his advice is urgently needed
in the Capital an order to that effect will
come within a week.

THE WAR.

London, 26th June, 9.5 p.m.

LORD ROBERTS REPORTS LOSS OF A CONVOY ON THE 4TH.

Lord Roberts reports that the Boers on
the 4th instant captured a convoy of 50
wagons between Rhenoster River and Heil-
bron.

THE DISASTER TO THE DERBYSHIRES.

On the 7th the Boers surrounded the 4th
battalion of the Derbyshire regiment and
the Imperial Yeomanry scouts. The British
loss was 35 killed, 111 wounded. The re-
mainder were made prisoners.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 26th June.

THE CHINA CRISIS.

An order from the Tsar raises the troops in
the Amur to a war footing and calls out the
reserves of the Siberian and Amur districts.The United States are preparing to meet
every contingency in China.The Indian force for China has been increased
as follows: Two Brigades, each of four battalions
with divisional troops. One Cavalry regi-
ment, one of Pioneers, three Companies Carriers
and Miners, one Field battery, and two battalions
of lines of communication.

THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

MORE SHIPS FOR THE NORTH.
The Pine, Piney, and Hart sailed yes-
terday evening for the north, and torpedo
boat No. 30 is under orders to proceed up
the West River.

THE INDIAN CONTINGENT.

The military authorities have received the
following cablegram as to the regiments which
are coming from India to China:—Regiments
intended to march in force garrison Hongkong
are 2,000 Bombay and 2,000 Madras Infantry,
each consisting of 12 British Officers, 1 medical
officer, 16 native officers, 72 rank and file. Left
wing of 1st Bengal Infantry will leave June 26th,
remainder will follow, June 29th. The 24th
Plunket Infantry sails on July 2nd. Two regiments
will be available then for local defence
pending arrival of special regiments allotted for
duty. General Sir Alfred Gaselee, Commanding
Officer, sails on July 2nd. Two regiments detailed
for Hongkong will bring cooking
vessels and sharpays (beds).

THE DEFENCE OF TIENSIN.

A Tientsin correspondent of the N.C. Daily
News wrote on the 16th inst.—There was an attack on Tientsin last night,
and the Roman Catholic Cathedral, all the
preaching places, and half the city were burned.
In the raid they made on the Railway Station
the Boxers came up to within 50 yards of the
Cossacks. The Russian troops fired 15 rounds
into the mob with good effect. The Boxers
are all round the Settlement, and are kept
at bay by Maxim and other guns. The
Russian cavalry have made plenty of show
and have saved the situation. All the
wires are cut, and the mail service is dis-
located. I am hoping to get this through some-
how. Secret orders have been sent by the Empress-
Dowager to the Viceroy of Chihli and to
General Ni to oppose all foreign troops. Fresh
attacks are expected, probably by Chinese troops
as well as Boxers. The line is all up between
this and our railway column, and the general
position is very serious. At least 20,000 troops
of some sort are required. Had it not been for
the 2,000 Russians here the Settlement would
have been in danger. The number of Boxers
is reported to be 400. It is impossible to get
news through some of them. It is very great
misfortune that the foreign troops have been
so late in arriving.On the 22nd inst. Mr. Goodnow, U.S. Consul
General at Shanghai, received the following
telegram from the U.S. Consul at Chefoo—
"Baleen, 1 P.M., 26th June. On arrival of
marines this morning I started fires on
locomotive, got cars and two flat-tenders, and
just now the train with 400 Russians and 130
marines is leaving. A French officer has just
arrived, having left Tientsin last night, 19th,
at 7.30 p.m. The troops were attacking
foreigners, and the American Consulate was
destroyed. Do not know what has become of
our men. The Chinese have modern field guns
and are battering foreigners in their strongholds.
He says the line can be travelled from this to
Chanchengkeng, half-way to Tientsin. There
are a few Russians there. He says I may be
attacked here to-night, but I have sent off the
marines, as I can look out for myself. The
line will be destroyed again to-night. It is very
important to preserve the railroad rolling-stock.
When the train has got as far as it can go, they
will press ahead on foot, and the train will be
sent back for any reinforcements that arrive.
I was getting the engine off when the French
officer came, and hearing he was on a French
torpedo-boat not ready, I have put him on my
train. I seized him at daylight. I dashed
past a boat hidden up a creek. I could start
more locomotives had I drawn them, but the two I
now have out are the only ones who ever ran on
a train."Bulletin from Liang Ching, June 26th, 1 p.m.
This news has just come by the special runner
from Tientsin. British Consul sends this message:
Reinforcements are most urgently needed.
Cannons have been heavy. Ammunition supply
insufficient, machine or field guns are re-
quired. Bases of ambuscade near Tientsin.
It is

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

NEWS VIA CEYLON.

ARMY MOVEMENTS IN SOUTH AFRICA—DISBANDING COLONIAL REGIMENTS.

London, 10th June.

The future plans at the War Office, as regards the Military movements in South Africa, have not yet been made public, but the Diamond Fields' Horse and a portion of the Kimberley Mounted Infantry have been disbanded. But it is believed that the War Office do not intend recalling any troops from the Cape until the end of August. The Colonials will first be sent home, and then the troops taken from the garrisons of India, the Government urging that it is wise to transfer troops from winter service at the Cape to Indian garrisons in the hot season. Besides this, a thorough scheme of house-to-house visitation throughout the Boer Republics, for the seizure of arms and ammunition, will demand all troops available for some time to come.

General regret is expressed at the disaster to the 15th Yeomanry at Lindley, especially at the death of Capt. Keith and Sir John Power. Others wounded or captured include the Earl of Longford and many well-known Booleans. Mr. Goschen's nephew, and sons of the Irish Chancellor and other Judges, and Lieut. Villiers Stuart.

GENERAL BUNDLE'S RECONNAISSANCE AT LINDLEY.—A TERRIBLE AFFAIR.

General Bundle's reconnaissance in aid seems to have been a terrible affair. He estimates the enemy at 4,000 strong, who were extended along a ridge six miles long, but the Guards in the advance line failed to approach within a thousand yards, and the officers declare they never saw a single Boer, so thoroughly were the enemy entrenched; and our guns were unable to silence the enemy's. On the other hand, the smoke and flames from the burning veldt, the result either of our carelessness or of the enemy's tactics, threw the British troops into deadly prominence and prevented them from taking cover.

Many wounded perished in the flames, despite many gallant rescues, one Lieutenant rescuing no less than twenty men. A Field Cornet, later in the day, arrived with a flag of truce requesting help, as Commandant De Villiers was badly wounded. General Bundle sent a doctor and ambulance and a bottle of champagne.

A few hours were captured, and they all expressed themselves sick and tired of the war, but longed for another passage of arms with General Brabant's Colonials.

THE ELANDSFONTEIN AFFAIR.

Details now to hand show that smart fighting, culminating in the capture of Elandsfontein, took place on the 29th May. A handful of Mounted Infantry scattered a trainload of Burghers, who took possession of heaps of mining refuse and made a great stand. More British arrived, and took up their position at close quarters, our men capturing several of the enemy. Meanwhile the women and children watched the fighting from verandas.

FIGHTING BEFORE PRETORIA.

Before entering Pretoria, Lord Roberts strictly inspected each of the Forts in turn, capturing two machine guns. It is believed that General French's mysterious movements were all toward Pretoria, with a view of preventing escapes and the removal of other prisoners.

The amount of gold President Kruger and Commandants Raats and Botha commanded is stated to be £50,000,000, paying official and Commandants in six per cent. Bills redeemable in ten years drawings. The hubbub caused by this was subdued by immediate cash payments.

The report that General Bullar had granted the enemy an armistice is disbelieved.

THE SULTAN AND THE TAKING OF PRETORIA.

The Sultan of Turkey congratulated Her Majesty on the taking of Pretoria.

MORE REINFORCEMENTS LEAVE FOR THE CAPE.

The transports *Lobato*, *Aurania*, and *Tagan* have sailed from England with 110 officers and 3,000 men, whilst large arrivals of sick and wounded have taken place.

THE RETAKING OF CAPE REPUBLIC.—THE BOND AND MR. SCHREINER.

London, 11th June.

The Africanus Bond Caucus is showing strong opposition to the Bill regarding the proposed treatment of rebels. Mr. Schreiner made a stirring speech appealing for support to the measure. Mr. Merriman and Mr. Storer headed the opposition, and denounced the proposal to disfranchise the rebels for five years. When a vote was taken, only ten adhered to Mr. Schreiner.

THE REMOVAL OF THE BRITISH PRISONERS.—

TWO HUNDRED STATED AS NUMBER 1,200.

TO 1,500.

Calcutta, 12th June.

The Indian Daily News has the following from its special correspondent:

Some of the British officers who were prisoners at Pretoria, on being ordered to prepare for departure to Nooitgedacht, seized and disarmed two Boer Commandants. The numbers of British prisoners removed is variously stated to be 1,200 to 1,600, including the ladies. It appears that, on the approach of the British to Pretoria, the Boers carried off the guns along with an immense store of provisions. General French tried hard to cut off their retreat, but was not in time.

The statement about Nooitgedacht being unhealthy is totally denied.

INTERESTING DETAILS OF GENERAL BULLER'S FIGHT AT LINGS-NEK.—BURGHERS DRESSED AS LADY INVALIDS.

London, 14th June.

No authentic details have yet come to hand concerning the capture of the Derbyshires at Roodepoort, but Boer accounts say that the Burgers advanced in four divisions under General Steenkamp, who took, besides their prisoners, a Maxim, 1,000 Lyddite and shrapnel shells, 3,000 units of clothing and an immense quantity of stores valued at £100,000, which was destroyed for lack of conveyances. In a small action the next day near Vrededorp, Commandant Steenkamp took 38 more prisoners, but 500 British reinforcing, the Boers retired.

The bombardment of Lings-Nek by General Buller's force on the 11th June was magnificently carried out. The Durante led the attack at Allens Pass and were supported by the Middlesex Regiment, Warwick, 1st Yorkshires, and the 1st Dublin Fusiliers on the right flank, the 2nd Brigade being on the left. The main point of attack was a high kopje near the pass. As the Infantry charged uphill with fixed bayonets, the enemy turned and fled, galloping towards the east and north, utterly routed. Afterwards, several white-flagged farm houses were visited, from Wakkerstroom, burghers being dragged from under beds, dressed up as lady invalids. The Boers captured around Newcastle filled three trains, and were expected at Durban yesterday night.

LORD BOSCH'S DESPATCH.—LOAD KITCHEN.

Lord Bosch's despatch shows that communication will be restored, which was expected, and is due from the Remonty at Pretoria on the 6th instant. Johannesburg is perfectly quiet. The inhabitants expressed their thanks for the news and order now prevalent. Commandant Botha's force, after the

surrender of this town, was small, but the number has increased recently, and their proximity to the town, being maintained, the excitement prevented the Burgers from laying down their arms and interfered with the collection of supplies, making the attack upon them necessary. Their position is a very strong one, practically unassailable in front, enabling Botha to place the main portion of his troops, which he knew were vulnerable. General French, on the left, had Porter's and Dickson's Cavalry Brigade and Hurton's Mounted Infantry. General Hamilton on the right, Broadwood's Cavalry Brigade, Gordon's Cavalry and Ridg's Mounted Infantry, as well as Bruce Hamilton's Mounted Infantry. Both the columns met with great opposition, but at 3 in the afternoon I saw two of Hamilton's Battalions advancing on the enemy's left flank, apparently the key of their defence.

When I awoke in the morning that communications had been interrupted in my rear, I sent Kitchener with all the troops I could spare to Vereeniging, with orders to push south and communicate with Lord Methuen, who I knew had a very compact force in the vicinity of Heilbron. I also sent a message to Lord Methuen to push with all speed towards the main railway damage, repairs to which are being rapidly pushed on with. I deplore the death of the House of Commons by Goschen yesterday, that the Boers did not take.

The message from Lord Roberts dispelling all anxiety was warmly received and is regarded as satisfactory, especially with regard to the battle now in progress in the Transvaal.

THE RECENT NAVAL EXPERIMENT.

A Times special correspondent gives the following description of the experiment made with H.M.S. *Belleisle* on the 26th ult., when the *Majestic* sank her off Seizey Bill. He writes:

"The *Belleisle*, a central battery battleship, with twin screws, was built at Poplar in 1878, and engined by Mandelby, for the Turkish Government. She was then called the *Payk-Sherif*, and when a new vessel was bought by the Admiralty from the Turks at a cost of £240,000. Her main construction was iron and her armour was 12in. thick amidships and tapering to 9in. at the extremities of the belt. This plating is backed by wood, which also varies from 9in. to 9in. The gun heads of her central battery varied from 9in. to 5in. in thickness according to their location. Her conning-tower in the forecastle of the vessel was of 9in. plating. She also had an iron deck 1in. thick on the flat, strengthened to 3in. on that part which slopes down to the deck, consequently liable to receive injury from the direct impact of projectiles. The hull displaced 4,570 tons, her engines indicated 3,200 horse power, when in good condition. She was 245ft. long, 52ft. broad, and drew 21ft. when in sea-going trim. Her main armament consisted of four 25-ton muzzle-loading rifle guns, which remained on board during the experiments, as well as the quick-firing guns added at a date more recent than her construction. Her sister vessel, the *Orion*, remains in the service as port guardship at Malta.

The *Belleisle* left Portsmouth harbour on Friday under her own steam, and was moored with her head south-east on Medmerry Bank, off Seizey Bill, some ten miles east of the Isle of Wight. In a position which left a channel with not less than seven fathoms water inside her at a distance of 2,000 yards. A number of dummies made from the wood removed from the Royal yacht represented the crew; her gun ports were open as if in action, ammunition for immediate use was around the gun barrels, and it is reported the magazines were equipped, and cartridges generally in the hoists, as would be the case in an engagement. The sea in the neighbourhood of the experimental position was anxiously patrolled by a host of torpedo craft, and the approaches were jealously guarded.

On Saturday morning steam was continued at a fair head on board the doomed vessel, the pumps were set in full action, flooding the decks, and as the *Majestic* approached the stokers and engine-room gang jumped smartly into a vedette boat and steamed off just in time. At 11.25 a.m. the flagship of Vice-Admiral Sir Harry Rawson steamed through the northern passage at a speed of 12 knots and opened fire from her tremendous battery at about 1,800 yards. She fired for approximately seven minutes and the practice was deadly accurate. It was estimated by onlookers that 80 per cent. of hits from big and little guns took effect. The firing from the heavy ordnance was specially worthy of praise. The *Belleisle*, although her mast stood, was apparently a wreck, her funnel collapsed, her woodwork was pulverized, but, although stern and smoke from the burst projectiles arose in considerable quantity, there was no appearance of ignition such as ruined the Spanish ships at Santiago. However, the prompt attendance of force-pumps and fire hose, in addition to other preparations installed on board the vessel herself, may have extinguished any burning conflagration. These were necessary precautions, as notes, photographs, and measurements had to be carefully recorded for leisurely analysis, and a configuration would have annihilated all traces.

Lydite shells, as well as shells with black powder bursting, were employed, and although the central battery was an effective shield against the 9in. projectiles, the 12in. shells wreaked everything in their course, as a matter of fact the *Belleisle* was a shamboles after the first two minutes firing, and the only unsatisfactory incident was the shortness of the range at which the experiments were made. One torpedo-boat mounted on board above water was dismounted by one of the large guns, and the torpedo automatically launched itself overboard without exploding.

The *Belleisle* settled down and rested on the bottom, which was at most 3ft. 7in. under her keel when she was adrift; there was a momentary inclination to heel over, but she reared nearly upright.

The Admiralty yacht with the members of the Board followed up the *Majestic*, but some other yachts were towed clear of the area, and fire was not opened till the German Emperor's *Meteor* in tow of a torpedo-boat had passed safely out of range and out of danger.

The vessel will shortly be raised and towed into dock, when information gained by examination will afford valuable knowledge and perhaps guidance to officers of the Royal Navy.

A London telegram to the States on the 28th reports—

Relying in the House of Commons to-day to a question on the subject of Saturday's naval experiment, when the British first-class battleship *Majestic* fired upon and sank the old-fashioned coast defence ironclad *Belleisle*, near Portsmouth, in nine minutes, the First Lord of

Naval Affairs charged uphill with fixed bayonets, the enemy turned and fled, galloping towards the east and north, utterly routed. Afterwards, several white-flagged farm houses were visited, from Wakkerstroom, burghers being dragged from under beds, dressed up as lady invalids. The Boers captured around Newcastle filled three trains, and were expected at Durban yesterday night.

LORD BOSCH'S DESPATCH.—LOAD KITCHEN.

Lord Bosch's despatch shows that communication will be restored, which was expected, and is due from the Remonty at Pretoria on the 6th instant. Johannesburg is perfectly quiet. The inhabitants expressed their thanks for the news and order now prevalent.

Commandant Botha's force, after the

surrender of this town, was small, but the number has increased recently, and their proximity to the town, being maintained, the excitement prevented the Burgers from laying down their arms and interfered with the collection of supplies, making the attack upon them necessary. Their position is a very strong one, practically unassailable in front, enabling Botha to place the main portion of his troops, which he knew were vulnerable. General French, on the left, had Porter's and Dickson's Cavalry Brigade and Hurton's Mounted Infantry. General Hamilton on the right, Broadwood's Cavalry Brigade, Gordon's Cavalry and Ridg's Mounted Infantry, as well as Bruce Hamilton's Mounted Infantry. Both the columns met with great opposition, but at 3 in the afternoon I saw two of Hamilton's Battalions advancing on the enemy's left flank, apparently the key of their defence.

When I awoke in the morning that communications had been interrupted in my rear, I sent Kitchener with all the troops I could spare to Vereeniging, with orders to push south and communicate with Lord Methuen, who I knew had a very compact force in the vicinity of Heilbron. I also sent a message to Lord Methuen to push with all speed towards the main railway damage, repairs to which are being rapidly pushed on with.

I deplore the death of the House of Commons by Goschen yesterday, that the Boers did not take.

INTIMATIONS.

EYE-SIGHT.

NOTICE.

I AM continuing my Sight Testing Rooms

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N. LAZARUS,

Hongkong, 24th May, 1900.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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I, myself and my wife, hereby give Notice that I will not be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTS contracted by a person passing under the Name of Mr. MORDEY lately from Manila.
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THE Steamship

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OF THE NORDDEUTSCHE LLOYD.
The above named steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON, TODAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 4th July will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on TUESDAY, the 3rd July, and THURSDAY, the 5th July, at 9.30 A.M.

All claims must reach us before the 9th July, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bill of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
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Hongkong, 27th June, 1900.

1853 NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Optional goods will be handed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 2 P.M. TODAY.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd July, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival hereafter which no claims will be recognized.

A. M. MARSHALL,
Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 27th June, 1900.

AUCTIONS

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 321.

The following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of OWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Office of the Public Works Department on MONDAY, the 2nd day of JULY, 1900, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command.

F. H. MAY,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 16th June, 1900.

1832

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 2nd day of JULY, 1900, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of Crown Land at Shaukiwan, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option of renewal at Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of Her Majesty the Queen, for one further term of 75 Years.

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WHAT THE SPECTRUM TELLS—CONCENTRATED
PERFUMES—TWENTIETH CENTURY RUBBER
—BODY-HEAT OF TREES—VIOLENCE OF A
SUN-STORM—CURIOUSLY COLORED BIRDS—
SPIDER SILK—THE UP-TO-DATE BOILER.presented the Tring Museum, said to contain a
greater number of these bird rarities than any
other single collection. Among the most
curious specimens were a banded kingfisher, a
totally white curlew, some pied hawfinches, a
penguin in which the plumage usually black was
grey, and a waxwing in which the dark plumage
was replaced by white, while the usual yellow
and red remained. Much interest was aroused
by a melanistic woodcock, while it was declared
that a great snipe with spotted plumage on the
upper surface might easily have passed for a
new species.The labas, an enormous spider found in great
numbers in parts of Madagascar, yields from
300 to 400 yards of silk of a brilliant golden
color, and ten days after the thread has been
taken from it is ready to furnish another supply.
Though the silk is finer than that of the silkworm,
it is very tenacious and can be woven with
certainty. M. Norus, principal of the Antan-
arivo Technical School, is striving to develop
the manufacture of spider silk, and a complete
set of bed hangings prepared from it is a novel
exhibit designed for the Paris Exposition.The future steam engine, in the opinion of
Mr. Chas. T. Porter, is to depend upon mecha-
nical draft instead of chimney draft. At a late
meeting of the American Society of Mechani-
cal Engineers, he stated that the new engine
will be independent of natural draft, effectually
consuming its smoke, and burning two or more
times as much coal as it could do under nat-
ural draft alone, and yet sending off the gases
at a low temperature; the boiler being a steam
generator, a superheater and a fuel economizer
combined.By rubbing bald spots daily with a 30 per
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become inflamed, then omitting for a few days
and continuing when the inflammation has dis-
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Water on Blocks at Spring Tide... 261

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Length on Blocks... 350

Width of Entrance on Top... 66

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LIVERPOOL DIRECT	STENTOR	Brit. str.	Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th July	
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	ULYSSES	Brit. str.	Brown	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On and after 1st Aug.	
MARSEILLES & LONDON	OLDENBURG	Ger. str.	H. Prager	MELCHERS & CO.	To-day, at Noon	
MARSEILLES & LONDON	LAOS	Fren. str.	F. Bainbridge	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 2nd July, at 1 P.M.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	INABA MARU	Jap. str.	R. T. L. Cook, E.N.R.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Daylight	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	MARAGON	Brit. str.	E. & C. S. N. Co.	On or about 23rd Inst.		
HAVRE & HAMBURG	WITTENBERG	Ger. str.	Hempel	CAILLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 17th July	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAVOLA	Ger. str.	Jiger	CAILLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 7th Aug.	
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ALESIA	Ger. str.	Kauth	CAILLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 20th Aug.	
NEW YORK VIA SUZ CANAL	ARMENIA	Ger. str.	Ostermann	CAILLOWITZ & CO.	To-morrow	
NEW YORK VIA SUZ CANAL	ALBENGA	Ger. str.	Petersen	CAILLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 24th July	
NEW YORK VIA SUZ CANAL	ACARA	Brit. str.	SHEWAN, TONES & CO.	On or about 13th July		
NEW YORK	ETTBORNDALE	Brit. str.	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	On or about 6th July		
VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA	L. SCHIEPP	Amer. ship.	Kendall	SIEMSEN & CO.	End of July	
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	GLENNOGLE	Brit. str.	W. Frakes	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	On 3rd July	
PORTLAND, OREGON, &c.	EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	G. A. Lee, E.N.R.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 18th July	
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	ABEGYL	Brit. str.	S. Thomson	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	On 5th July, at Noon	
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	CITY OF PEKING	Amer. str.		PACIFIC MAIL, S. S. CO.	On 14th July, at Noon	
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	GARLIC	Brit. str.		P. & O. S. S. CO.	On 21st July, at Noon	
SAN DIEGO, &c., VIA KOBE &c.	HONGKONG MARU	Jap. str.		TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 30th inst.	
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	THYRA	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at Daylight	
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	FUTAMI MARU	Jap. str.	J. Thom	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 14th July, at 4 P.M.	
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	Williams	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On or about 7th July	
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	BOHILLA	Fren. str.	H. S. Toque, E.N.R.	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On or about 2nd July	
SHANGHAI	TONKIN	Fren. str.		P. & O. S. N. CO.	On or about 6th July	
SHANGHAI	MATTA	Brit. str.	F. J. Cole	SIEMSEN & CO.	To-day, at 3 P.M.	
SHANGHAI	LYEEMOON	Ger. str.	G. Heuermann	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 30th inst., at Noon	
SHANGHAI	KWANGTUNG	Brit. str.	I. Sato	MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	On 11th July, at Daylight	
SWATOW, AMOY & TAIWANFOO	AWING MARU	Jap. str.	H. Nagata	MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	On 1st July, at Daylight	
SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI	TAMSUI MARU	Brit. str.	Davis	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.	To-day, at 10 A.M.	
MANILA	HAMMUN	Brit. str.	Moore	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 3rd July, at 4 P.M.	
MANILA	SUMOKLANG	Brit. str.	Williams	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Daylight	
MANILA	CHINGTU	Jap. str.	P. H. Rolfe	JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.	To-day, at 4 P.M.	
MANILA	FUTAMI MARU	Brit. str.	G. Schmidt	CAILLOWITZ & CO.	On 3rd July	
COLOMBO, HAVRE, B.HAVEN & HAMBURG	YUENSANG	Brit. str.				
SHIPPING.	SAMBA	Ger. str.				

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

ARRIVALS.

June 26. ANTENOR, British str., 3,663, M. H. E. Jackson, Foochow 25th June, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
June 26. SARINE BUCKMERS, British str., 690, Nasbet, Foochow 24th June, Ballast.—AEN-HOLD, KABERG & CO.
June 27. LYDIAWOOD, German steamer, 1,238, Heermann, Canton 26th June, General.—SIEMSEN & CO.
June 27. BANCA, British str., 3,793, Babat, London 23rd May and Singapore 21st June, General, F. & O. S. N. CO.
June 27. HANOI, French str., 740, Panner, Haiphong and Hoitow 20th June, General.—A. R. MARTY.
June 27. HATINO, French steamer, 750, Bast, Haiphong and Hoitow 20th June, General.—A. R. MARTY.
June 27. ANING, Chinese str., 1,158, Barlow, Canton 27th June, General—CHINA.
June 27. HERMIS, Norwegian str., 840, Johnson, Canton 27th June, General.—JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
27th JUNE.
Tategami Maru, Japanese str., for Nagasaki.
Hermes, Norwegian str., for Hongay.
Thales, British str., for Hongay.
Min, British str., for Newcastle.
Hokoku Maru, Japanese str., for Canton.
Hongkong, French str., for Haiphong.
Chunming, British str., for Swatow.
Loyal, German str., for Bangkok.
Diamante, British str., for Manila.
Kasfong, British str., for Manila.

DEPARTURES.

June 27. PIQUE, British cruiser, for Woosung.
June 27. PROXY, British gunboat, for Woosung.
June 27. EMPRESS OF INDIA, British str., for Vancouver.
June 27. CLARA, German str., for Hoitow.
June 27. DIXIMA, German str., for Pakhoi.
June 27. ANPING MARU, Jap. str., for Swatow.
June 27. HOKOKU MARU, Jap. str., for Canton.
June 27. HUE, French str., for Haiphong.
June 27. JASON, British str., for Amoy.
June 27. HONGKONG, French str., for Haiphong.
June 27. CHUNSAMO, British str., for Swatow.
June 27. LOYAL, German str., for Bangkok.
June 27. DIAMANTE, British str., for Manila.
June 27. KAIFONG, British str., for Manila.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

ABERDEEN DOCKS.—Milos, KOWLOON DOCKS.—U.S.S. Monterey, Chang-sha, Freiburg, Sungkien, Min.
COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—Goodwin.

SHIPPING REPORT.

The American steamer "City of Peking," from San Francisco 29th May and Yokohama 18th June, had strong S.W. monsoon from the mouth of the Yangtze to port.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI

THE Company's Steamship

HATMUN.

Captain Davis, will be despatched for the above port, TO-DAY, the 28th inst., at 10 A.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers, Hongkong, 27th June, 1900.

FOR SHANGHAI

THE Steamship

LYEEMOON.

Captain G. Heuermann, will be despatched for the above port, TO-DAY, the 28th inst., at 3 P.M.
This Steamer has superior accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & CO., Hongkong, 27th June, 1900.

FOR MANILA

THE Company's Steamship

YUENSANG.

Captain P. H. Rolfe, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 28th inst., at 4 P.M.
This Steamer has superior accommodation for First Class Passengers, is fitted throughout with Electric Light and carries a Doctor.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO., General Managers, Hongkong, 27th June, 1900.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA

THE Company's Steamship

TAMSUI MARU.

Captain H. Nagata, will be despatched for the above ports on SUNDAY, the 1st July, at DAYLIGHT.

FOR Freight or Passage, apply to THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents, Hongkong, 27th June, 1900.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUZ CANAL

THE Company's Steamship

ANTENOR.

Captain M. H. F. Jackson, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 28th instant.

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, Hongkong, 26th May, 1900.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

FOR MANILA

THE Company's Steamship

FUTAMI MARU.

(3,800 tons gross, Captain J. Thom), will be despatched for the above port TO-MORROW, the 29th instant, at DAYLIGHT.

This new Man steamship is specially constructed for service in the Tropics and is provided with superior accommodation and with all modern fittings and improvements for the safety and comfort of Passengers. Electric Light and Refrigerator, Doctor and Stewardess carried.

Return tickets issued by this Company are available for return by steamers of the other Lines.

For Freight or Passage, apply to A. S. MIHARA, Manager, Hongkong, 27th June, 1900.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUZ CANAL

THE full-powered Steamship

ARMENIA.

Captain Ostermann, will be despatched for the above port on or about 29th June.

For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents, Hongkong, 24th May, 1900.

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE

(HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, HAMBURG)

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUZ CANAL

THE full-powered Steamship

HONGKONG TO LONDON, 247.

Excellent accommodation. First class Table, DOCTOR and STEWARDESSE carried.

Passenger may proceed by one of the First-Class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK, 241.

The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery to the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route.

The best route to the KLONDYKE GOLD FIELDS. Frequent Sailings from VICTORIA, TACOMA and PORTLAND to DYE and ST. MICHAEL.

Rates of Passage to other Points on application.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and to Canadian and United States Points.

Comular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate, and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer, to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railway, Tacoma, Wash., for Goods forwarded via that port, and to the Freight Agent, Oregon Railroad and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon. Goods Shipped by that route.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M. on the day previous to sailing.

Rates of Passage to other Points on application.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents.

Hongkong, 24th May, 1900.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR FREIGHT, PASSENGERS, MAIL, CARGO, &c.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE CHINESE MAIL LINE.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS—POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERY, MADEIRAS, CALCUTTA, DIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON MONDAY, the 2nd July, 1900, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "LAOS," Captain Flandin, with a Mail, Passengers, Specie and Cargo will leave this port for MARSEILLES via ports of call WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 1st July. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contenents and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 16th June, 1900.

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OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LIVERPOOL DIRECT.
Taking cargo at LONDON rates.

THE Company's Steamship

"ULYSSES"

Captain Brown, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 2nd July.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th June, 1900.

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS—POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"TONKIN"

will be despatched as above on or about MONDAY, the 2nd July.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 26th June, 1900.

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BEN LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"BENALDER"

Captain C. K. McIntosh, will be despatched as above on or about THURSDAY, the 5th July.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 13th June, 1900.

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THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRA利亚, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"BENGAL"

Captain S. Barcham, carrying Her Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this for Bombay on SATURDAY, the 7th July, 1900, at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports. Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transported at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, etc., will be conveyed via Bombay with transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to

A. M. MARSHALL,
Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 25th June, 1900.

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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHINGTU."

Captain Williams, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 14th July, at 4 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First-Class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light. For Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 18th June, 1900.

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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHINGTU."

Captain Williams, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 14th July, at 4 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-Class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the Supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA are available, for return by the Owners of the Lines.

AUSTRALIAN S.S. CO. and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 18th June, 1900.

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VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

CITY OF PEKING (via Shantung)

Shih, Nagasaki, Kobe, TUESDAY, July 5,

Island Sea, Yokohama, at NOON.

and Honolulu).

China (via Shangchow)

Kobe, TUESDAY, July 31,

Island Sea, Yokohama, at NOON.

and Honolulu).

CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO

(via Shanghai, Nagasaki)

Kobe, TUESDAY, Aug. 25,

at NOON.

Yokohama and Honolulu).

STEAM FOR LONDON, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERY, MADEIRAS, CALCUTTA, DIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON MONDAY, the 2nd July, 1900, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "MENELAUS,"

Captain Towell, will be despatched as above on

TUESDAY, the 10th July.

For Freight, apply to

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OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL

THE Company's Steamship

"MENELAUS."

Captain Towell, will be despatched as above on

TUESDAY, the 24th July.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 5th June, 1900.

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THE OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

THE Company's Steamship

"ANPING MARU."

Captain I. Sato, will be despatched for the

above port on WEDNESDAY, the 11th

JULY.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,

Agents.

Hongkong, 27th June, 1900.

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THE NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL

THE Company's Steamship

"ANPING MARU."

Captain Peterson, will be despatched for the above port on or about 24th July.

For Freight, apply to

CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1900.

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NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS

IN CHINA AND JAPAN for the above Line

are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS

OF LADING for all the principal ports in

SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with Indo-

CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION Co.'s fortnightly

service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from

CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.

For Freight and further particulars,

apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,

General Agents for China and Japan.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1897.

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HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

Appling, Chinese str., 1,153, Barlow, June 22,

Chinese.

Antonov, British str., 3,563, Jackson, June 26,

Butterfield & Swire

Argyll, British str., 1,886, Thomson, June 23,

Doddwell & Co. Ltd.

Arakawa Maru, Jap. str., 1,886, Yamamoto, June 25,

Butterfield & Swire

Banca, British steamer, 3,703, Babst, June 27,

P. & O. S. N. Co.

Coptic, British steamer, 2,744, Rinder, June 8,

O. & O. S. S. Co.

Daphne, German str., 1,290, Nissan, June 13,

Simsen & Co.

Eloise, German steamer, 900, Petersen, June 20,

Chinese.

Faithful, British str., 1,035, Wallis, June 22,

G. M. S. S. Co.

Ganges, British str., 1,463, Moore, May 29,

Butterfield & Swire

Glenlyon, British str., 1,886, Thomson, June 23,

POST OFFICE NOTICES

The *Toulou*, with the French Mail of the 1st instant, left Singapore on Tuesday, the 26th instant, at 6 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 3rd proximo. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 28th April.

The *Gaule*, with the American Mail, left Yokohama on Tuesday, the 30th instant, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 3rd proximo.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	FROM	DAY AND HOUR.
Singapore	Antenor.	Thurs., 28th, 10.00 A.M. Thursday, 29th.
Europe, &c., India via Tuticorin (Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents)	Oleodenburg.	Registration 10.00 A.M. (Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
Aspin Maru	Aspin Maru	Friday, 28th, 2.00 P.M.
Yuenlong	Yuenlong	Thurs., 28th, 3.00 P.M.
Putami Maru	Putami Maru	Thursday, 28th, 5.00 P.M.
Bangkok	Phraeang.	Friday, 28th, 9.00 A.M.
Singapore	Fausang.	Friday, 28th, 4.00 P.M.
Vladivostock	Mitos.	Friday, 28th, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Kwangtung.	Saturday, 30th, 11.00 A.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, Bris- bane, Sydney and Melbourne	Ariake Maru	Saturday, 30th, 4.00 P.M.
Europe, &c., India via Tuticorin (Late Letters 0.10 to 0.30 p.m. Extra Postage 10 cents)	Laos.	Monday, 2nd July.
Asia, Moji, Kobe, Yihama, Victoria and Tacoma	Letters.	Circulars 9.00 A.M.
Manila, Yokohama and Portland, Or.	Tues., 3rd July, 11.00 A.M.	Registration 10.00 A.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne	Wednesday, 4th July, 4.00 P.M.	(Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
Empress of Japan	Empress of Japan	Letters 11.00 A.M.

TO-MORROW.
Sale Books and Bicycles, Sales Rooms, Mr.
Geo. P. Lamont, 3 p.m.

COMMERCIAL

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
WEDNESDAY, 27th June.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—
Telegraphic Transfer 1/11.
Bank Bills, on demand 2/0.
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 2/0.
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/0.
Credits, at 4 months' sight 2/0.
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 2/0.

ON PARIS.—
Bank Bills, on demand 2/5.
Credits, at 4 months' sight 2/5/4.

ON GERMANY.—
On demand 2/04.

ON NEW YORK.—
Bank Bills, on demand 48.
Credits, 60 days' sight 49.

ON BOMBAY.—
Telegraphic Transfer 149.
Bank, on demand 150.

ON CALCUTTA.—
Telegraphic Transfer 149.
Bank, on demand 150.

ON SHANGHAI.—
Bank, at sight 71.

Private, 30 days' sight 72.

ON YOKOHAMA.—
On demand 24 p.c.p.m.

ON MANILA.—
On demand 23 p.c.p.m.

ON SINGAPORE.—
On demand 1 p.c.p.m.

ON BATAVIA.—
On demand 120.

ON HAIPHONG.—
On demand 3 p.c.p.m.

ON SAIGON.—
On demand 23 p.c.p.m.

ON BANGKOK.—
On demand 60.

GOVERNMENT'S Bank's Buying Rate 9.91.

GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael 5.2.

BAI SILVER, per oz. 281.

OPIUM.

Quotations are—Allow 20% net to 1 catty.
Malwa New \$820 to per picul.

Malwa Old \$810 to \$820.

Malwa Older \$840 to \$860.

P. P. wrapped \$870 to .

Persian fine quality \$910 to .

Persian extra fine \$950 to .

Patna New \$— 990 per chest.

Patna Old \$1,075 .

Bengares New \$— 990 per chest.

Bengares Old \$— .

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per City of Peking, for Hongkong, from San Francisco, Mrs. R. L. Bullard, Messrs. A. F. Bullard, Clara Bullard, Miss Rose Bullard, Mrs. P. G. Wales, Messrs. Philip Wales, Victor Wales and Dr. H. Adams.

DEPARTED.

Per Empress of India, from Hongkong, for Shanghai, Mons. Henri Tullin, Mons. A. M. T. Benoyton, Messrs. James Daly, Mr. Kelly and H. B. Wheeler; for Yokohama, Mr. E. R. V. Kirby, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Crawford, Miss Roy, Mrs. Caldwell, two children and nurse, Mrs. W. H. Williams, Miss Lewis, Messrs. R. M. Ezekiel, E. Sherwin, J. Molley and Dr. G. M. Harston; for Nagasaki, Mr. E. Rose; for Victoria, Mr. H. R. Pavlen, for Vancouver, Messrs. J. Hammon, John Halliday and Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Woodward; for Boston, Mrs. C. C. Hing and infant; for Barrf, Capt. H. B. de Vosse; for London, Messrs. A. P. Stokes, A. Brooks Smith, G. J. L. Lifton, L. E. P. Wolverstone, F. E. Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. R. McDougall, Messrs. R. E. Stephens, J. Craig, Dr. R. N. Price, Mr. and Mrs. A. Nutall, Messrs. A. W. Stewart, M. Christopher and C. Winney from Yokohama, for London, Miss M. A. Empson, Miss B. C. Empson and maid.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The O. & O. steamer *Gaule*, with Mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 6th instant, via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and left for this port on the 26th instant, via Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai.

The T. K. K. steamer *Hongkong Meru*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 14th instant.

The P. M. steamer *China*, with Mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 22nd instant.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The steamer *Aravon Apur*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the 24th inst., at daylight.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

HONGKONG, 27th June.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	ISSUE VALUE.	PAID UP.	LAST DIVIDEND.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.					
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	\$125	\$125	30/- div. & 10/- bonus at 1/11th jd. = \$23.53	305 p. ct. pr. = \$506.25 100 sellers
Bank of China & Japan, Ltd.	100,675	25	24	None	21
Do. Deceor	1,250	21	21	25.5.	25.5.
National Bank of China, Ltd.	10,970 A	28	28	2.8/- for 1898	321 buyers
29,955 B	28	28	2.8/- 17/- = \$1.36 for 95	327	
750/100	21	21	None	320	
MANUAL INSURANCES.					
Union Fire Society, Ltd.	10,000	\$25	\$25	30 p. ct. = \$18 for 1898	280/24
China Traders Ins. Co., Ltd.	24,000	\$93.50	\$25	10 p. cent. for 1898 and 10 p. final = 10/-	550, sales and buyers
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	5,000	\$100	\$25	10/- for 1898	116
Yangtze Ins. Assocn., Ltd.	8,000	\$100	\$60	10/- p. ct. for 1897	121, sellers
Canton Insurco. Office, Ltd.	10,000	\$20	\$50	11/- for 1898	132/2, sales
Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$100	\$20	5 per cent. for 1895	61, buyers
FREE INSURANCES.					
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	8,000	\$25	\$25	27 for 1898	225, sellers
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$100	\$20	26 for 1898	170, sales and sellers
SHIPPING.					
Hongkong, Canton and Macao S. C. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	12/- for half year ended 31/12/99	381, sellers
Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$10	\$10	10 p. cent. & 2 p. bonus for 95	85, sellers
China & Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	\$20	20 per cent. for 1899 ex old Capital	145, sales old
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$50	\$50	12 per cent. for year ending 30/6/99	247, sellers
China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$10	\$10	Final of p. ct. = \$10 per ton paid on premium	211
Do. Ordinary	210	25	25	10/- p. ct. bonus of 3%	210, 100 sellers
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Star Ferry Co., Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	10/- for year ended 30/6/99	317, new sellers
Shantung Transport & Trading Co., Limited	18,000	\$100	\$100	Final of 5 p. ct. = \$8	4310
REFINERIES.					
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	23,000	\$100	\$100	Final of \$3 = \$7 for 1899 taken out of English Fund	122, sales
Luzon Sugar Refg. Co., Ltd.	7,000	\$100	\$100	\$3 for 1897	30
MINING.					
Punjab Mining Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$8	\$7	None	80, sellers
Do. Preference	30,000	\$1	\$1	1.30	1.30
Societe Francaise des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	\$250	\$250	None	8200, sellers
Qinghai Mines, Limited	400,000	25	25	17, buyers	17, buyers
Johns Mining and Trading Company, Ltd.	45,000	\$8	\$8	15 p. ct. half year end	312
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Limited	200,000	\$10	\$10	1/- 17/- 94 (coupon 9)	568, buyers
Oliver's Freshold Mines, Limited	A 15,000	\$5	\$5	1/- div. on 15/100	83
B 45,000	\$5	\$5	None	21	
Great Eastern and Great Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	140,000	\$8	\$8	First year	60 cents
Do. Preferences	70,000	\$1	\$1	40 cents	40 cents
Docks, Wharves, & Dock Co., Limited	12,500	\$125	\$125	Spec. 12/- p. ct. bonus for year ended 31/12/99	525 p. ct. pr. = \$781.25 100 sellers
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and G. Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$50	\$50	Final of 5 p. ct. = \$5	255, sellers
Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Co., Ltd.	2,600	\$100	\$874	Final of \$1 = \$3	550, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$63	\$63	22 per cent. for 1899	21, sellers
Lands, Horner & Bullock Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$50	Final of \$81 = \$9	136, sellers
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	17,500	\$100	\$100	Final of 21 p. ct. for period ending 31/12/99	105, 90 sellers
Leviathan & Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$100	\$50	Final of p. ct. = \$10	114, sellers
Spain & West Co., Ltd.	8,000	\$100	\$80		